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Subject: - Netaji Subhash Chandra Bose  
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Embassy of India in Japan  
and the Japanese Foreign  
Office.

These papers have been received today  
from the C+S Section. These may be  
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Telegram

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From :- Foreign, New Delhi.  
To :- Congendia, Hanoi.

28.8.  
DTO JUNE 26 Nil.

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No. 4221. Sahay from Chairman Netaji Enquiry Committee.  
Kindly refer our letter PS/56/NEC of 1st June and  
send fair copies your statement as soon as possible.

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CONCENDIA  
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For Sahay.

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SHAHNAWAZ KHAN.

26-6-1956.

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*Shahnawaz Khan*  
(SHAH NAWAZ KHAN)  
CHAIRMAN NETAJI ENQUIRY COMMITTEE  
C/o MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS  
NEW DELHI.



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TELEGRAM

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From: Chairman, Netaji Enquiry Committee.

To: CONGENDIA, HANOI.

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June 26, 1956.

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SHAH NAWAZ KHAN, M.P.  
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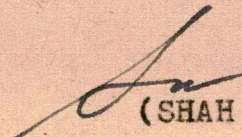
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Dated the 2nd June 1956.

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Yours sincerely,



(SHAH NAWAZ KHAN)

Shri T.N. Kaul,  
Joint Secretary,  
Ministry of External Affairs,  
Government of India,  
New Delhi.

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*K. Kamiko*

*4/6/56*



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Yours sincerely,

Shri T.N. Kaul,  
Joint Secy, Ministry of EA,  
New Delhi.



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Since we have exhausted the list of witnesses to be examined in Japan, will you please let me know if you would like the Committee to examine any other witness here?

*Shah Nawaz Khan*

(SHAH NAWAZ KHAN)  
Chairman, Netaji Enquiry Cttee,  
1-6-1956.

Shri S.N. Maitra, I.C.S. )  
and ) Members of the Netaji  
Shri Suresh Chandra Bose. ) Enquiry Committee.

I do not think so. S.C. Bon  
2.6.56

None.

*Sum*  
2.6.56



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EMBASSY OF INDIA, TOKYO

With reference to Mr. Maitra's enquiry, three days ago, on behalf of the Netaji Commission about Mr. K. Asada of 2826-c Honcho- Kokubunji, Kitatama-gun, Tokyo, I have got the following information from the Gaimusho. Mr. K. Asada was at one time a permanent employee of the Japanese Government being a ministerial staff member of the Gaimusho. He was dismissed from the Gaimusho almost seven years ago, after repeated warnings, on charges of official misconduct. Since then he has been doing odd jobs and occasional freelance writing for minor Japanese language newspapers. He is reported to have got together, from various sources, material about the last phase of the Indian Independence Movement in Japan and published an article thereon in one of the local Japanese language newspapers some time ago. In view of his past history the Gaimusho would not consider Mr. Asada to be particularly reliable but would be happy to secure him for giving evidence before the Commission.

*The Commission may kindly indicate the date & time that may be given for appearance of Mr. Asada before the Commission.*

*A.K.Dar*

( A.K.Dar )  
First Secretary  
31. 5. 56

The Chairman,  
Netaji Enquiry Committee,  
Tokyo.

*We can examine him on 2<sup>nd</sup> June either in the morning or in the afternoon.*

*For*

*Shahmawaz Khan*  
31. 5. 56.

*He is going to appear before the Committee on 2. 6. 56. On 1. 6. 56.*



S.N. MAITRA, ICS,  
NETAJI ENQUIRY COMMITTEE.

D.O. No. PS/56/NEC. (10)

Dated the 1st June 1956.

My dear Sahay,

Herewith fair copies of your statement you had made before us in Saigon. We were so busy in Tokyo that our staff could not make the fair copies earlier with the result that sending them has been delayed so much, for which I am sorry. There are five copies. Please initial each page and sign your full name on the last page of each one. 4 copies may kindly be returned to:-

Chairman, Netaji Enquiry Committee,  
c/o The Ministry of External Affairs,  
New Delhi.

You may keep one copy yourself.

Trust you are keeping well,

Yours sincerely,

  
( S.N. MAITRA)

Shri A.M. Sahay,  
Consul General of India,  
Hanoi (North Viet Nam).

Encl: as above.

*Handed over  
by Shri Maitra  
to Shri Dar  
11/6*



My dear Kaul,

Shri Shah Nawaz Khan, Chairman of the Netaji Enquiry Committee, has discussed the forward programme of our Committee in Delhi and I am writing this letter as desired by him. We would leave Tokyo by Air India International on the 5th of June arriving Calcutta on the 6th June afternoon. Some witnesses still remain to be examined in Calcutta, which will be finished by the 9th June. Shri Shah Nawaz Khan proposes to reach Delhi on the <sup>night of</sup> 10th and will be busy with urgent private matters including his Farm for the next week which would take him to the 16th June. The Committee would re-assemble for the final phase of its work i.e. writing the report on the 17th of June. We had originally thought of doing this in the cool heights of Mussoorie but it is now felt that it would be better to do it in Delhi. Parliament will not be in Session then and Shri Shah Nawaz Khan thinks that it might be possible to make available for our use one of the Committee rooms in Parliament House, alternatively the Railway Minister's room, which is usually at the disposal of the Parliamentary Secretary. It would be appreciated if you kindly arrange for the necessary accommodation.

For the work of the Committee in Delhi we would require, in addition to Mr. Shah Nawaz Khan's P.A. who is with us, one stenographer and one Assistant, together with the necessary typewriters, stationery etc.

It would be further appreciated if,



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 as last time, a ~~mode~~ of transport is  
 made available for the Committee during  
 their stay in Delhi, i.e. between the  
 17th and the 30th of June. We are doing  
 our very best to finish the work in the  
 shortest possible time and hope to finish  
 the work within the date line, 30th June.  
 To ~~do here~~<sup>in</sup> Tokyo, we have been working  
 six days a week and as a consequence, had  
 to ~~deny ourselves~~ seeing anything of this  
 beautiful country.

Yours sincerely,

*S. N. Maitra*  
 (S.N. MAITRA) 37/-

Shri T.N. Kaul,  
 Joint Secy, Ministry of External Affairs,  
 Government of India,  
 New Delhi.

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*L. Karmika*  
 31.5.56





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SHAH NAWAZ KHAN, M.P.  
Chairman, Netaji Enquiry Committee,

S.N.D.

D.O. No. PS/56/NEC. (13)

EMBASSY OF INDIA IN JAPAN  
TOKYO

Dated the 30th June 1956.

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Shri Shah Nawaz Khan, Chairman of the Netaji Enquiry Committee, has discussed the forward programme of our Committee in Delhi and I am writing this letter, as desired by him. We would leave Tokyo by Air India International on the 5th of June arriving Calcutta on the 6th June afternoon. Some witnesses still remain to be examined in Calcutta, which will be finished by the 9th June. Shri Shah Nawaz Khan proposes to reach Delhi on the night of 10th and will be busy with urgent private matters, including his Farm, for the next week which would take him to the 16th June. The Committee would reassemble for the final phase of its work i.e. writing the report on the 17th of June. We had originally thought of doing this in the cool heights of Mussoorie, but it is now felt that it would be better to do it in Delhi. Parliament will not be in session then and Shri Shah Nawaz Khan thinks that it might be possible to make available for our use one of the Committee rooms in Parliament House, alternatively the Railway Minister's room, which is usually at the disposal of the Parliamentary Secretary. It would be appreciated if you kindly arrange for the necessary accommodation.

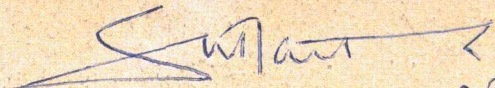
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( S.N. MAITRA ) 29/5

Shri T.N. Kaul, ICS,  
Joint Secretary,  
Ministry of External Affairs,  
Government of India,  
New Delhi.



SHAH NAWAZ KHAN, M.P.,  
Chairman, Netaji Enquiry Committee,

(15)

Tokyo, Dt. the 26th May '56.

Dear Shri Dar,

I am given to understand that one Col. Figges was deputed by the British Government soon after the end of the last war to go to Formosa and make certain enquiries relating to the alleged plane crash in which Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose was involved. I believe Col. Figges is now posted in Tokyo as Military Secretary in the British Embassy. The Committee would very much like to meet him and record his evidence. The Committee appreciates that without the permission from his own Government, it would not be possible for Col. Figges to appear before the Committee. I would, therefore, request you to take necessary steps for securing permission for Col. Figges from his own Government to appear before the Committee.

Yours faithfully,

*Ln*  
(SHAH NAWAZ KHAN)

Shri A.K. Dark,  
First Secretary,  
Indian Embassy,  
Tokyo.



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Dated the 23rd May 1956.

My dear Dar,

In addition to the list of witnesses already sent to you, we would like to examine the following, for whom the Japanese Foreign Office may please be approached to make them available for examination by the Committee:-


- ✓ (1) Lt. General Isayama, Chief of General Staff, Formosa Army in 1945.
- ✓ (2) Buddhist Priest at Taihoku who is reported to have held the funeral ceremony of Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose at Taihoku in August 1945.
- ✓ (3) Kazuo Mitsui (Address: No. 15, Nishihata-cho, Wakamatsu City, Fukuoka-Ken), a soldier at Taihoku in August 1945, who claims to be present at the time of death of Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose.

From the evidence of Dr. Yoshimi, names of the Japanese nurses which were not available to us when I wrote to you on the 11th May, are now available. These are:-

- ✗ (4) Nakano, Ohama, Tomimoto and Nishimoto.

These names may kindly be communicated to the Japanese Foreign Office for tracing them.

Yours sincerely,

  
(SHAH NAWAZ KHAN)

Shri A.K. Dar,  
First Secretary,  
Indian Embassy,  
Tokyo.



TELEGRAM:

FROM: INDEMBASSY TOKYO

TO: FOREIGN NEW DELHI

IMPORTANT

23/56 From MAITRA NETAJI ENQUIRY COMMITTEE.

Reference your telegram 25150 dated 16th May.

Committee started work Delhi and examined witnesses Delhi and Calcutta. Abroad Committee visited Bangkok, Saigon, Tourane and now in Tokyo. So far examined following number witnesses:-

|          |    |
|----------|----|
| Delhi    | 10 |
| Calcutta | 14 |
| Bangkok  | 4  |
| Saigon   | 2  |
| Tourane  | 1  |
| Tokyo    | 13 |

Examination of witnesses in Japan continues.

Para Two. Names witnesses examined so far as follows:

Delhi:

1. Shri Thevar.
2. Shri Debnath Das.
3. Captain Gulzara Singh.
4. Col. Habibur Rehman.
5. Col. Pritam Singh.
6. Shri S.A. Ayer.
7. General J.K. Bhonsle.
8. Shri A.K. Gupta.
9. Shri Harin Shah.
10. Col. Thakur Singh.

Calcutta:

11. Shri S. Majumdar.
12. Mr. M. Kunizuka.
13. Lt. N.B. Das.
14. Shri H.K. Roy.
15. Shri Kalipada De.
16. Shri S.M. Goswami.
17. Shri J.C. Sinha.
18. Shri Hiren Singha.
19. Shri Deben Das
20. Mr. Negishi.
21. Col. H.L. Chopra.
22. Miss Illa Pal Choudhry.
23. Shri D.N. Bose.
24. Shri A. Bose.

Bangkok:

25. Pandit Raghunath Sharma.
26. Sardar Ishwar Singh.
27. Shri Uttam Chandra Sharma.
28. Shri A.C. Das.



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Saigon:

- 29. Shri Ramneo Gosai.
- 30. Shri A.M. Sahay.

Tourane:

- 31. Mir Ghulam Dastgir.

Tokyo:

- 32. Mr. Hachiya.
- 33. Mr. Narain Das.
- 34. Captain Arai.
- 35. General Isoda.
- 36. Mr. J. Murti.
- 37. Col. Nonogaki.
- 38. Mr. Watanabe.
- 39. Dr. T. Tsuruta.
- 40. Mr. Sato.
- 41. Major Kono.
- 42. Mr. Miyata.
- 43. Major Takahashi.
- 44. Col. Yano.

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(S. N. Maitra)  
Member- Netaji Enquiry Committee.  
18-5-1956. 18/5

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| <u>S.No.</u> | <u>Name of witness</u>   | <u>Particulars as last known</u>  |
|--------------|--------------------------|---|
| 1            | ✓ Mr. Hachiya            | Ambassador Designate to the Provisional Government of Azad Hind.  |
| 2            | ✓ Col. S. Nonagaki       | Who was the Staff Officer Headquarters of Air Forces in Java, is one of the survivors of the plane crash. |
| 22/5 + 3     | ✓ T. Yoshimi             | Surgeon who attended Netaji in the Japanese Military Hospital, Taihoku.                                   |
| 4            | ✓ T. Tsuruta             | Army Surgeon, Namon Hospital, Taihoku   |
| 5            | ✓ K. Arai                | Captain Headquarters Tsukasha Air Corps.  |
| + 6          | ✓ S. Takakura            | Lt. Col. Staff Officer, Imperial Headquarters, Tokyo.   |
| + 7          | ✓ Shibuya                | Lt. Col. Staff Officer Army Forces, Formosa.  |
| ? 8          | 9. T. Sakai              | Lt. Col. Staff Officer, Headquarters Army Forces, Burma.  |
| + 9          | ✓ M. Kinoshita           | Major, Imperial Headquarters, Tokyo.  |
| + 10         | ✓ K. Sakai               | Major, Battalion Commander, Taipeh Military Airport   |
| + 11         | 7 M. Nakamura / yamamoto | Captain in Charge, Taipeh Military Airport.   |
| + 12         | ✓ Hasegawa               | Sub-Lt. Imperial Headquarters, Tokyo.   |

Could come to Tokyo due to illness



| <u>S.No.</u> | <u>Name of witness</u>   | <u>Particulars as last known</u>   |
|--------------|--------------------------|--|
| + 13         | T. Hayashida ✓           | Sub-Lt. Headquarters,<br>Army Forces in Formosa.   |
| + 14         | Mr. Nakamura             | Was an Interpreter from<br>the Civil Govt. Office,<br>Formosa. He had been in<br>touch with Netaji on his<br>previous visits to Formosa,<br>en route to Japan.                         |
| + 15         | Warrant Officer<br>Nishi | Is said to have taken the<br>Netaji's coffin to the<br>Aerodrome at Taihoku for<br>transportation to Japan,<br>returned and said that<br>the body should be cremated.                  |
| ✓ 16         | ✓ Col. Miyata            | Was a Staff Officer of General<br>Ando, Commander, Japanese<br>Garrison at Formosa. He is<br>said to have brought gifts<br>for the deceased in accordance<br>with the Japanese custom. |
| Dud { 17     | ✓ Second Lt. Aoyagi      | Pilot of the plane which is<br>alleged to have crashed.  |
|              | ✓ 18 Sergeant Major      |  |
| 19           | Col. Yano                | Who was Chief of the Second<br>Section, Southern Army Head-<br>quarters, Saigon. He is said<br>to have made certain statement<br>before the British regarding<br>Netaji's intentions.  |
| 20           | ✓ General Isoda          | Chief of Hikari Kikan  |
| 21           | Miss Chenpee Sha         | Formosan nurse who was working<br>in the Hospital at Taihoku.  |



| <u>S. No.</u>    | <u>Name of witness</u>               | <u>Particulars as last known</u>  |
|------------------|--------------------------------------|---|
| ✓ 22             | Mr. Watanabe                         | Who belonged to Hikari Kikan, Bangkok.<br>He was an Interpreter.                          |
| 23               | Lt. Hotata<br><i>Same as TSURUTA</i> | Assistant Medical Officer who kept in Yoshimi at Taihoku, is said to have treated Netaji. |
| <sup>24</sup> 24 | Capt. Yoshida                        | Of Japanese Air Force, probably attached to Air Headquarters, Saigon.                     |
| 25               | Capt. Kiano                          | of Hikari Kikan.  |

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Mr. OKShta

Maj. Kojima

Nurses.



Our Embassy in Tokyo may please be requested to arrange for the appearance of the under-mentioned Japanese witnesses during the course of our stay in Japan. At this stage, it is too early to fix definite dates but they may will be called in batches according to convenience on different working dates.

| <u>S.No.</u> | <u>Name of witness.</u> | <u>Particulars.</u>   |
|--------------|-------------------------|---|
| ✓ 1.         | Mr. Hachiya             | Ambassador Designate to the Provisional Government of Azad Hind.  |
| ✓ 2.         | Col. S.Nonagaki.        | who was the Staff Officer Headquarters of Air Forces in Java, is one of the survivors of the plane crash. |
| 3.           | T. Yoshimi.             | Surgeon who attended Netaji in the Japanese Military Hospital, Taihoku.                                   |
| ✓ 4.         | T. Tsuruta.             | Army Surgeon, Namon Hospital, Taihoku.  |
| ✓ 5.         | K. Arai.                | Captain Headquarters Tsukasha Air Corps.  |
| 6.           | S. Takakura.            | Lt. Col. Staff Officer, Imperial Headquarters, Tokyo.   |
| 7.           | Shibuya.                | Lt. Col. Staff Officer, Army Forces, Formosa.   |
| 8.           | T. Sakai.               | Lt. Col. Staff Officer, Headquarters Army Forces, Burma.  |
| 9.           | M. Kinoshita.           | Major, Imperial Headquarters, Tokyo.  |
| 10.          | K. Sakai.               | Major, Battalion Commander, Taipeh Military Airport..   |
| 11.          | M. Nakamura.            | Captain In Charge, Taipeh Military Airport.   |
| 12.          | Hasegawa.               | Sub-Lt. Imperial Headquarters, Tokyo.   |
| 13.          | T. Hayashida.           | Sub-Lt. Headquarters Army Forces in Formosa.  |

These officers have been mentioned in the Japanese Govt. Report submitted to the Govt. of India.

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List of other Japanese witnesses.

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11. Capt. Yoshida of Japanese Air Force, probably attached to Air Headquarters, Saigon.
12. Capt. Kiano, of Hikari Kikan..

The following witnesses may be asked for in Bangkok and Saigon respectively. In addition to those names, our respective Missions may please be asked to suggest any names of persons who might be willing to throw light on the last known phase of Netaji. The witnesses will be examined during the Committee's stay at Bangkok and Saigon according to programme already sent.

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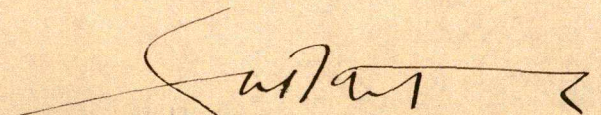


At Bangkok.

1. Sardar Ishwar Singh,
2. Pandit Raghunath Shastri.

At Saigon.

1. Shri Narain Das.
2. Shri Anand Mohan Sahay, Indian representative  
in Hanoi.

  
(S.N. Maitra)

17-4-1956.

Shri T.N. Kaul,  
Joint Secretary,  
Ministry of E.A.



Tentative programme of examination of witnesses.

8th May to 12th May.

|          |                        |   |                |
|----------|------------------------|---|----------------|
| 8th ...  | 10 A.M.                | Mr. Hachiya.  | Examined       |
|          | 3 P.M.                 | Mr. Narain Das.   | "              |
| 9th ...  | 10 A.M.                | Mr. Hachiya.  |                |
|          | 3 P.M.                 | Mr. Arai.   | Examined       |
| 10th ... | 10-30 A.M.             | Mr. Isoda.  |                |
|          | 2-30 P.M. to 5-30 P.M. | -do-  | (provisional). |
| 11th ... | 10 A.M.                | Capt. Kiano.  | (provisional). |
|          | 2-30 P.M.              | Mr. Watanabe  | (provisional). |
| 12th ... | 10 A.M.                | meet with Mr. Hitori of the Foreign Office to discuss progress. |                |

14th May to 19th May.

|              |                |                |
|--------------|----------------|----------------|
| 14th or 15th | Col. Nonogaki. | (provisional). |
| 16th to 19th | Mr. Tsuruta    | (provisional). |

21st to 26th May.

Examination of witnesses from Kyusu either at Tokyo or Kogoshima.

|               |                |
|---------------|----------------|
| <u>Names.</u> | Dr. Yashimi.   |
|               | Mr. Nakamura.  |
|               | Lt. Hayashida. |
|               | Col. Yano.     |

28th May to 31st May.

|                   |                    |
|-------------------|--------------------|
| 28th to 29th May. | Mr. Sakai.         |
| 30th.             | Lt. Col. Shibuya.  |
| 31st.             | Lt. Hasagawa.      |
| 1st June 1956.    | Lt. Col. Takakura. |

Major Kuroshiba



Tentative programme of examination of witnesses.

8th May to 12th May.

8th.....10 A.M. Mr. Hachiya. ✓  
 3 P.M. Mr. Narain Das. ✓  
 9th.....10 A.M. Mr. Hachiya. ✓  
 3 P.M. Capt. Arai. ✓  
 10th.....10-30 A.M. General Isoda.  
 2-30 P.M. to  
 5-30 P.M. -do- (provisional).  
 11th..... 10 A.M. Capt. Kiano. (provisional).  
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 office to discuss progress.

14th May to 19th May.

14th or 15th. Col. Nonagaki (provisional),  
 16th to 19th. Mr. Tsuruta (provisional).

21st May to 26th May.

Examination of witnesses from Kyushu either  
 at Tokyo or Kogoshima.

Names. Dr. Yoshimi.  
 Mr. Nakamura.  
 Lt. Hayashida.  
 Col. Yano.

28th May to 31st May.

28th to 29th .... Mr. Sakai.  
 30th. Lt. Col. Shibuya.  
 31st. Lt. Hasegawa.  
 1st June 1956. Lt. Col. Takakura.  
 Major Kinoshita.



# List of witnesses examined so far.

(27)

## New Delhi

- (1) Shri, Thevar M.L.A. dated 4/4/56 at 3.P.M.
- (2) Shri Debnath Das. " 5/4/56 whole day
- (3) Capt Gulzara Singh 6/4/56 10.A.M.
- (4) Col. Hakim Rahmaan. 6/4/56 3.P.M.
- " — 7/4/56 whole day
- " — 8/4/56 Sunday
- " — 9/4/56 whole day
- (5) Col Pratap Singh 10/4/56 —
- (6) Shri S.A. Dyer 11/4/56 —
- " — 12/4/56 10.A.M.
- " — 13/4/56 whole day
- (7) Genl. Bhonsle 14/4/56 10.A.M.
- (Statement not yet return.) 15/4/56 — Sunday
- 16/4/56 11.A.M.
- (8) Sri. A.K. Gupta 16/4/56 3.P.M.
- (statement sent for signature not return.)
- (9) Sri Hakim Shah 16/4/56 4.P.M.
- " — 17/4/56 12.15 P.M.
- (10) Col. Thaker Singh 17/4/56 11.30 P.M.



# Calcutta

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- (1) Shri S. Majumdar 20-4-56 3 PM  
Deputy Secy.  
Subsidiary I. B.
- (2) Mr. M. Kunizuka 23-4-56 10-30 AM
- (3) L. N. B. Das " 3-30 P.M.
- (4) Shri H. K. Roy 24/4/56 11 AM
- (5) Shri, Kalipad Dore 24/4/56 12-30 P.M.
- (6) Shri S. M. Goswami 24/4/56 3 P.M.
- (7) Shri J. C. Sinha 25/4/56 11 A.M.
- (8) Shri, Harin Sinha 25/4/56 12-30 P.M.
- (9) Shri. Devan Dass 25/4/56 12-30 P.M.
- (10) Shri. Nagoshi 25/4/56 3 P.M.
- (11) Col. H. L. Chopra 26/4/56 11 A.M.
- (12) Miss M. Lal Chaudhary 26/4/56 12 A.M.
- (13) Shri O. N. Bose 26/4/56 1 P.M.
- (14) Shri A. Bose 26/4/ 3 P.M.  
(Statement not yet typed)

Note: — 13 & 14 - Statement to be continued after return to Calcutta.



## Bangkok

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- 4) Pt. Raghunath Sharma 28/4/56 10 AM  
5) S. Ishwar Singh " 11-30 AM  
6) Uttam Chandro Sharma " 3 PM  
7) AC Das 30/4/56 9 AM
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## Saigon

- ① Ramves Josai 1/5/57 11 AM  
A. M. Sahay " 3 PM  
3/5/57 10-30 AM

## Tourane

- 1) Mr. Shylam Dasgupta 2/5/57 10-30 AM



# Tokyo

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- (1) Mr. Hachiya 8/5/53 10 AM
- (2) Narain Das " 3 PM
- (3) Mr. Hachiya 9/5/53 10 AM
- (4) Capt. Arai " 3 PM
- " 10/5/53 10 AM
- (5) General Doda " 3 PM
- (6) Mr. Murti 11/5/53 2-3 PM
- General Doda 12/5/53 11 AM
- " " 2-3 PM
- (7) Col. Nonogaki 14/5 10 AM
- " " 2-3 PM
- (8) Mr. Watanabe " 4 PM
- (9) Dr. T. Tsuruta 15/5 10 AM
- (10) Mr. Sato Kago 16/5 11 AM
- Major Kari " 3 PM
- (11) S. Miyata 17/5 10-20 AM
- (12) Major Takahashi " 3 PM
- Col. Murata 18/5 10 AM - 5 PM







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1st Lt. Takakura 11  
T. Hayashida 24/5  
Dr. Yushima 22/5

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For MAITRA Netaji Enquiry Committee.  
For answer Lok Sabha question on 26th May telegraph  
places visited and names of witnesses examined so  
far by Committee. Reply by 19th.

Ambassador  
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SHAH NAWAZ KHAN,  
Chairman, Netaji Enquiry Committee,

Care Indian Embassy,  
Tokyo,  
Dated the 11th May '56.

My dear Dar,

In addition to the list of witnesses already sent to you, the Committee would like to examine the following witnesses for whom the Japanese Foreign Office may please be approached to make them available for examination by the Committee:-

- X 1. Mr. Okshita, who was the navigator of the plane which is alleged to have been crashed at Taihoku. He is one of the survivors.
- X 2. Major Kojima, He was a Staff officer at Saigon and is said to have made arrangements for Netaji's journey from Saigon onwards.
3. Japanese nurses who were on duty in the Nanmon Hospital/when Netaji was brought there.

/ Taihoku, Taiwan

Yours sincerely,

(SHAH NAWAZ KHAN)

Shri A.K.Dar,  
First Secretary,  
Indian Embassy,  
TOKYO.



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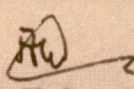
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Dear Sir,

In enclosing herewith the appeal for public cooperation issued by the Chairman of the Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose Enquiry Commission I am desirous to request you to be good enough to circulate the contents thereof to the members of the Indian community residing in your area in order that any member of the community who has information on the subject matter with which the Commission is concerned should feel free to communicate with the Commission.

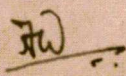
It is possible that there might be some members of the community who are not known to the Embassy or to the Commission who may have valuable information to assist in the subject enquiry. It is, therefore, requested that the matter may kindly be given as much publicity amongst the members of the Indian community as is possible.

Yours faithfully,

  
( A.K. Dar )  
First Secretary

Kobe.

Copy for information to the Consul for India,

  
( A.K. Dar )  
First Secretary

1. The President, Indian Association, Tokyo.
2. The President, Indian Marchants Association, Yokohama.
3. The President, Indian Chamber of Commerce in Japan, Kobe.